

FY2011 Appropriations Request Form

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Individuals/Organizations must respond to all questions on the form. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

All appropriations project requests will be presented to and evaluated by the 12th Congressional District's Citizens Oversight Panel, made up of community leaders. **This year's panel meetings will be held on February 26, March 5 and March 12, 2010 in the 12th Congressional District.** Appointments to appear before the panel must be made through Cookab Hashemi, Chief of Staff, at 202/225-3531 or via email, Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov.

IMPORTANT NOTE: All information provided on this form and any supporting documents will be made available to the public on the Congresswoman's website.

**DEADLINE: Forms are due by Friday, February 12, 2010
@ 6:00 p.m. (P.S.T.)/9:00 p.m. (E.S.T.). Project requests submitted after that
date will not be considered.**

Date Submitted: February 12, 2010

Project Name: Pacifica Park Renovations

Individual/Organization: *(Is the grantee located in the 12th Congressional District?)*

City of Pacifica

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Amount Requested (*if requesting report language, please attach.*):

\$715,000

Appropriations Bill/Account/Relevant Authorization law/bill/status (*e.g., “Public Law 107-111”; “FY2008 DOD Authorization”, “Currently pursuing authorization through Agriculture Committee”, “Safe Drinking Water Act” or “Hatch Act”*) *Applicants uncertain as to how to answer this question should contact Cookab Hashemi at 202-225-3531 or via email, Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov for assistance:*

Transportation and HUD appropriations – CDBG

Local Contact (*Please provide full contact information, including any relevant phone extensions, and indicate if there is a separate D.C. contact. Please provide local address, state, zip code and email address*):

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City of Pacifica
170 Santa Maria Ave, Pacifica, CA 94044
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perezm@ci.pacifica.ca.us

Organization’s Main Activities. (*Please limit your response to 250 words and indicate whether it is a public, non-profit or private for-profit entity.*)

The City of Pacifica Parks Beaches and Recreation Department is a public entity.

Our mission statement is to: foster human development; promote health and wellness; strengthen safety and security by providing programs for children, youth, and adults to play & learn; collaborate with other agencies; create positive recreational experiences; increase cultural unity; and be a valuable resource that contributes to a healthy economic base and a desirable community with positive services that attract workers, families, visitors, and retirees.

Child Care Services – serving over 450 preschool and school-age children (60% subsidized via State of California Child Development and San Mateo County Office of Education

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funding). Services include half-day and full-day preschool, before and after-school care as well as extended programs in the summer.

Senior Services – (Mon-Fri) Congregate Lunch Program serves on average 55 meals/day, Meals on Wheels delivers on average 52 meals/day, Transportation for seniors is via mini bus, Information and Referral, trips, outings, classes and special events. Over 145 registered volunteers.

Recreation – Aquatics programs, special community-wide events, youth and teen recreational, trips, summer day camps, homework center, after-school program, special interest classes, parks, beaches, fields and facilities.

Parks maintenance – Through the conscientious upkeep of city parks, street trees, beaches, medians and sports fields, the division helps create a green infrastructure that is essential for providing relief from urban development, preserving the environment and providing a variety of opportunities for outdoor recreation. The division also assists with maintenance of recreational facilities, play equipment inspections, pest control and facilitation of citywide special events.

Please show main items in the project and total cost in a simplified chart form.
(Please include the amount of any Federal/State/Local/Private funds, including any in-kind resources.)

New playground equipment/Structure or Playground Renovation Project	Purchase and installation of playground equipment at parks in need of upgrade	Estimated Cost
Edgemar Park		\$150,000
Sanchez Park		\$125,000
Oddstad Park		\$100,000
Imperial Park		\$100,000
Restrooms at Parks Edgemar, Sanchez, Fairmont	Purchase and installation of restrooms/storage buildings at 3 parks without existing facilities	\$240,000
Total		\$715,000

The estimates are based on purchase and installation of equipment. City will assist with design and demolition as needed.

Project Description, including a timeline, goals, expected outcomes and specific uses of Federal Funds. (Your response must focus on the requested funds)

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rather than the organization's mission and general activities. Please limit your response to 250 – 500 words.)

Several of the city's parks have been identified to be in need of playground equipment replacement and/or improvement, five of which are included in this funding request. They are in poor condition, in need of ADA upgrades, have begun to deteriorate and/or are inadequate for the intended usage. Three of the city's parks in this funding request have also been identified for placement of restroom facilities. One barrier to usage by the public is the lack of facilities at some of the parks; specifically lack of restrooms, which limits the time people are able to spend at parks.

By updating and improving park facilities, it is expected that there will be an increase in usage. The intended outcome is to promote healthy lifestyles by creating more opportunities for the public, especially youth and families, to be active, play, exercise and experience the outdoors.

It is estimated that this project can be completed within a year.

How will this project request serve to expand the capacity of your organization and how will your organization sustain this work beyond the federal funding? *(Your response must focus on the impact of the requested funds rather than the organization's long-term goals.)*

The improvement of these facilities will help us to more adequately serve our population, particularly youth, by improving and providing appropriate spaces to play and be active. The new equipment will be easier and more cost effective to maintain than the existing equipment, which will help in the allocation of resources to other areas of the parks.

The impact will help to improve the overall park sites, not just the play equipment, and allow for the dedication of funds towards future replacement.

Can this proposal be funded via fees levied on users of the service or via the ordinary capital budgeting process of the organization?

The levy of user fees would not be appropriate in this case. These are city/neighborhood parks that are available for public usage with no user fee charged.

These improvements, along with other city park projects either have, or will be placed on the capital budget list; however, sufficient funding is not available, and it may only be realistic to complete minor improvements to these facilities over the next 10 years.

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What is the local significance of this project?

Much needed improvement of available facilities for residents of Pacifica, increased access for ADA participants and increases to spaces that promote active and healthy lifestyles.

How many residents of the 12th CD will benefit from this project? (i.e. jobs created, services rendered to, how many people, etc.)

It is estimated that these projects (five playgrounds, three restrooms) will create five jobs per project, for a total of 30. An estimated 3-5 parks and public works employees would also be used in the design and demolition stages for each project.

There are over 38,000 residents in Pacifica.

Please explain the federal interest in this proposal (i.e. meets a stated objective of federal policy, supports a federal agency, is the result of a federal law/mandate, etc.)

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) administers the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), which provides block grants to eligible cities and urban areas. According to the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) Approximately \$100 million of CDBG funds are utilized annually for park and recreation (www.nrpa.gov).

According to the Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control (CDC), “Enjoying outdoor recreation, within neighborhoods and communities, is being recognized as an important means to help address serious health concerns such as obesity, hypertension, diabetes, depression, and anxiety” (www.cdc.gov).

Access to parks and recreational facilities is a key component in the prevention of, and fight against, these serious health issues.

List any other organizations or state/local elected officials who have expressed support for the project in writing. (Please submit copies of support letters along with the request form.)

None at the time of this application

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Does the organization have any other funding requests for this project?
(Federal, State, Local or private request pending?)

No

Has the organization previously received Federal funds for this project?
(Please list any funds received [by fiscal year] and briefly describe how those funds were spent.)

No

Has the individual and/or organization submitted the project request to other Member offices? If so, please identify below the names of the Members of Congress and staff persons.

No

Please attach a list of your organization's staff and board members from 2005 – 2010. (if any).

Mayor Sue Digre
Mayor pro Tem Mary Ann Nihart
Councilmember Pete DeJarnatt
Councilmember James M. Vreeland, Jr.
Councilmember Julie Lancelle

Stephen Rhodes, City Manager
Michael Perez, Director of Parks, Beaches and Recreation

Please attach any additional relevant materials.

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